

ARKANSAS BROILER HATCHERY



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ARKANSAS CHICK PLACEMENTS DOWN 5 PERCENT FROM LAST YEAR

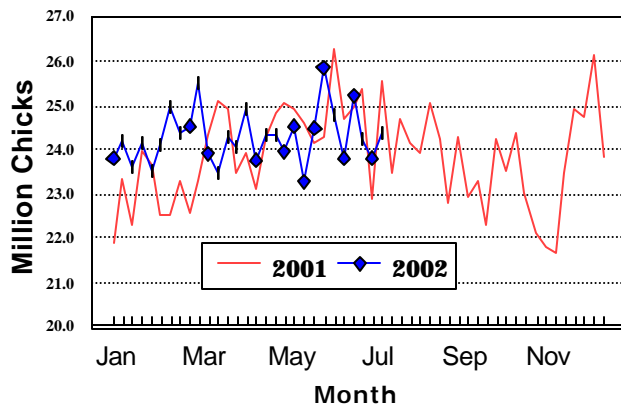
Broiler-type **chicks placed** for meat production in Arkansas was 24.4 million during the week ending July 20, 2002. Placements were down 5 percent from the comparable week in 2001, and up 2 percent from the previous week, and included 2.8 million chicks shipped in from other states. Cumulative placements from December 30, 2001 through July 20, 2002 were 704.5 million, up 1 percent from the same period a year earlier.

The broiler-type **chicks hatched** for the week was 24.9 million, up slightly from the corresponding week a year earlier, and down 2 percent from the previous week. Of the total hatch, 2.9 million chicks were shipped out of the state. Average hatchability for chicks hatched was 83.1 percent.

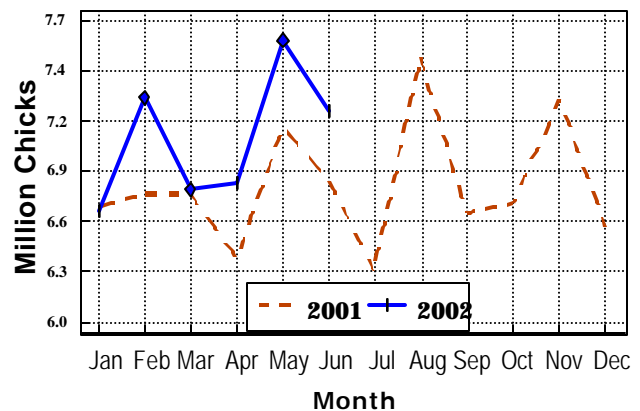
Arkansas hatcheries **set** 30.6 million broiler-type eggs during the week ending July 20, 2002, up 1 percent from the same period last year, and up fractionally from the previous week.

Leading breeders in the **UNITED STATES** placed 7.2 million **broiler-type pullet chicks** for future domestic hatchery supply flocks during June 2002, up 6 percent from June 2001.

**ARKANSAS BROILER CHICK PLACEMENTS
BY WEEK, 2001 - 2002**



**U.S. BROILER-TYPE PULLET CHICKS PLACED
FOR DOMESTIC HATCHERY SUPPLY FLOCKS**



NET PLACEMENTS IN ARKANSAS

Week Ending	Year		% Change
	2001	2002	
	1,000		
June	26,284	24,784	94
June	24,688	23,822	96
June	24,966	25,209	101
July	25,365	24,268	96
July	22,873	23,811	104
July	25,588	24,396	95

U.S. PULLET CHICKS PLACED

Month	Year		% Change
	2000-01	2001-02	
	1,000		
Jan.	6,685	6,660	100
Feb.	6,748	7,275	108
Mar.	6,752	6,775	100
Apr.	6,398	6,814	107
May	7,117	7,597	107
June	6,822	7,206	106

BROILER EGGS SET AND CHICKS PLACED IN 19 MAJOR STATES BY WEEKS, 2002

STATE	EGGS SET (in Thousands)					CHICKS PLACED (in Thousands)						
	Week Ending				1/ %	Week Ending						1/ %
	29-Jun	06-Jul	13-Jul	20-Jul		15-Jun	22-Jun	29-Jun	06-Jul	13-Jul	20-Jul	
Alabama	28,493 *	29,241 *	29,240 *	28,829	97	22,064	22,103	22,739	21,904 *	21,316 *	21,767	103
ARKANSAS	29,971	29,741	30,593	30,596	101	24,784	23,822	25,209	24,268	23,811	24,396	95
Delaware	3,416	3,478	3,520	3,542	102	5,362	5,259	4,988	5,351	5,832	5,266	107
Florida	2,367	2,358	2,361	2,364	98	2,458	2,491	2,201	2,417	2,233	2,331	100
Georgia	32,415	31,739	32,588	31,925	102	25,748	26,134	25,962 *	26,612	26,183 *	25,030	97
Kentucky	6,332	6,673	6,788	6,785	110	5,631	5,876	5,373	5,586	4,837	5,234	102
Maryland	9,385	9,849	9,925	9,867	102	6,315	6,721	6,771	6,357	5,650	5,130	85
Mississippi	18,550	18,740	19,181	18,788	99	16,113	16,150	16,108	15,968	15,779	15,252	99
N. Carolina	17,754 *	18,397	18,269	18,485	99	15,243	15,558	15,555	14,672	15,138	14,188	101
Oklahoma	6,698	6,505	6,621	6,546	105	4,870	4,571	4,525	4,857	4,707	4,337	104
Pennsylvania	3,591	3,784	3,866 *	3,841	97	2,756	2,737	2,711	2,801	2,875 *	2,668	103
S. Carolina	4,714	4,649	4,895	4,716	94	4,607	3,741	4,028	3,957	3,767	4,087	103
Texas	14,492	15,148	14,680	14,618	102	12,147	12,282	12,199	12,195	11,722	11,498	111
Virginia	6,086	6,499	6,391	6,300	96	5,316	5,078	4,863	5,366	4,958 *	5,054	107
CALAMO,TN,WV	19,962	20,011 *	20,089 *	20,591	97	19,340	19,996	18,862	19,760	19,535 *	18,619	105
Total 2002	204,226 *	206,812 *	209,007 *	207,793		172,754	172,519	172,094 *	172,071 *	168,343 *	164,857	
Total 2001	202,627	202,616	207,061	208,170		173,304	170,489	170,027	169,801	165,397	164,118	
% Prev. Year	101	102	101	100		100	101	101	101	102	100	
Approximate Marketing Date 2002.....						03-Aug	10-Aug	17-Aug	24-Aug	31-Aug	07-Sep	

* Revised . 1/ Current week as percent of the same week last year.

EGGS SET IN 19 SELECTED STATES DOWN SLIGHTLY

Commercial hatcheries in the 19-state weekly program set 208 million eggs during the week ending July 20, 2002. This was down slightly from the eggs set the corresponding week a year earlier. Average hatchability for chicks hatched during the week was 83 percent. Average hatchability is calculated by dividing chicks hatched during the week by eggs set three weeks earlier.

BROILER CHICKS PLACED UP SLIGHTLY

Broiler growers in the 19-state weekly program placed 165 million chicks for meat production during the week ending July 20, 2002. Placements were up slightly from the comparable week in 2001. Cumulative placements from December 30, 2001 through July 20, 2002 were 4.93 billion.

The 15 State total was discontinued on May 15, 2002.